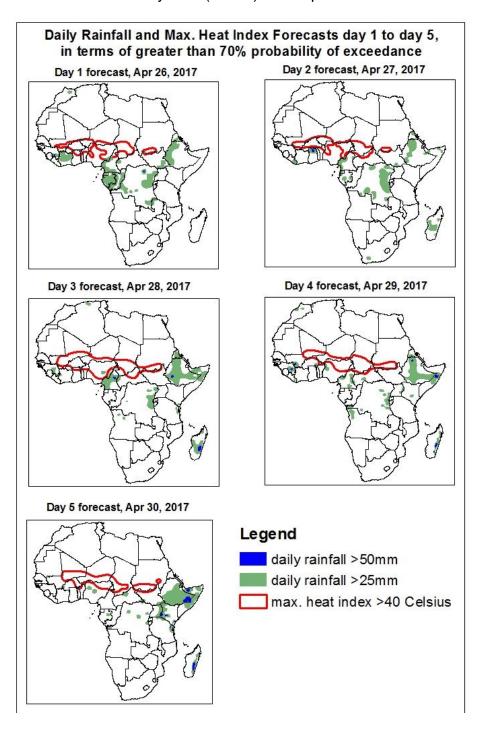
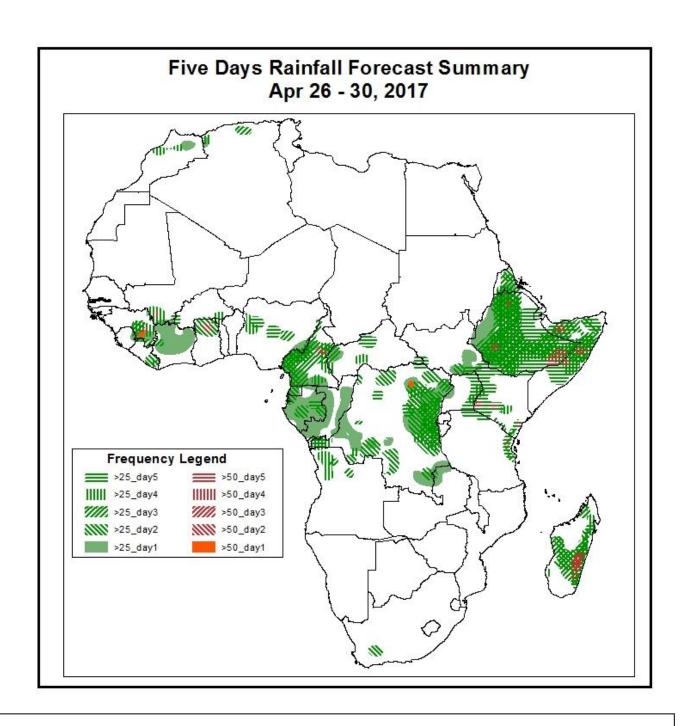
1. Rainfall, Heat Index and Dust Concentration Forecasts, (Issued on Apr 25, 2017)

1.1. Daily Rainfall and Maximum Heat Index Forecasts (valid: Apr 26 – 30, 2017)

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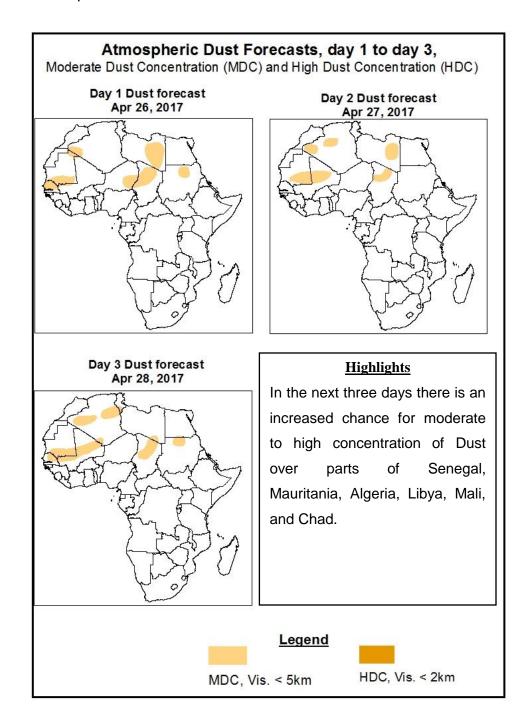


Highlights

In the next five days, lower level wind convergences across the Central and South African countries are expected to enhance rainfall in their respective regions. Therefore, there is an increased chance for two or more days of moderate to heavy rainfall over portions of Cameroon, Gabon, Equatorial Guinea, DRC, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Somalia, Uganda, Madagascar and local areas of Morocco, Algeria, Mali, Guinea, Cote d'Ivoire, Ghana, Nigeria, CAR, South Sudan, Kenya, Tanzania and Angola.

1.2. Atmospheric Dust Concentration Forecasts (valid: Apr 26 – 28, 2017)

The forecasts are expressed in terms of high probability of dust concentration, based on the Navy Aerosol Analysis and Prediction System, NCEP/GFS lower-level wind forecasts and expert assessment.



1.3. Model Discussion, Valid: Apr 26 – Apr 30, 2017

The Azores High Pressure system over the North Atlantic Ocean is expected to intensify with its value of the central pressure increasing from 1033hPa to 1037hPa during the next 48 hours and weaken to 1026hPa during the remaining forecast period.

The St. Helena High Pressure system over the Southeast of the Atlantic Ocean is expected to intensify with its value of the central pressure increasing from 1027hPa to 1036hPa during the next 96 hours and weaken to 1029hPa during the remaining forecast period.

The Mascarene High Pressure system over the Southwest Indian Ocean is expected to intensify with its value of the central pressure increasing from 1026hPa to 1040hPa during the next 72 hours and weaken to 1039hPa during the remaining forecast period.

At 925hPa, strong dry Northeasterly to Easterly winds may lead from light to moderate dust concentration over parts of Senegal, Mauritania, Algeria, Libya, Egypt, Mali, Niger, Chad and Sudan.

At 850hPa level, lower level wind convergences are expected to prevail over Cameroon, Equatorial Guinea, Congo, CAR, DRC, South Sudan, Ethiopia, Somalia, Uganda, Kenya, Rwanda, Burundi, Angola, Mozambique, South Africa and Madagascar.

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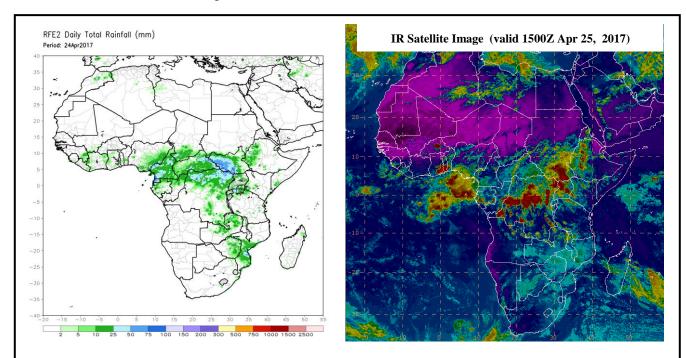
2.0. Previous and Current Day Weather over Africa

2.1. Weather assessment for the previous day (Apr 24, 2017)

Light to moderate rainfall was observed over portions of Morocco, Algeria, Nigeria, Cameroon, Equatorial Guinea, Gabon, Congo, DRC, South Sudan, Ethiopia, Somalia, Uganda, Kenya, Rwanda, Burundi, Tanzania, Zambia, Zimbabwe and Mozambique.

2.2. Weather assessment for the current day (Apr 25, 2017)

Intense convective clouds are observed over portions of Burkina Faso, Liberia, Cote d'Ivoire, Ghana, Togo, Benin, Nigeria, Cameroon, Equatorial Guinea, Gabon, Congo, CAR, DRC, South Sudan, Uganda, Ethiopia, Somalia, Rwanda, Burundi, Kenya, Tanzania, Angola, Zambia, Malawi and Madagascar.



Previous day rainfall condition over Africa (Left) based on the NCEP CPCE/RFE and current day cloud cover (right) based on IR Satellite image.

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